

**Fred Spencer Deno IV**  
Mayor

**Jorge Arce**  
President



Council Members  
**Richard Block**  
**Debra Conover**  
**Gabriel Fernandez**  
**Elizabeth Taylor-Martinez**

Regular Council Meeting  
Minutes  
**November 17, 2022**  
6:30 p.m.

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**1. Call to Order**

Council President Arce called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m.

**2. Roll Call**

Council President Arce, Council Member Block, Council Member Conover, Council Member Fernandez, Council Member Taylor-Martinez, and Attorney Cuadra were in attendance. Mayor Deno was absent.

**3. Invocation**

Council Member Block led the invocation.

**4. Pledge of Allegiance**

Council Member Block led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**5. Meeting Notices**

- Any person who decides to appeal any decision of the Village Council with respect to any matter considered at this meeting will need a record of the proceedings and, for such purpose, may need to ensure that a verbatim record of the proceedings is made, which record includes the testimony and evidence upon which the appeal is to be based.
- Pursuant to the provisions of the **Americans with Disabilities Act**, any person requiring special accommodations to participate in this proceeding is asked to advise the Village at least 2 days before the proceeding by contacting the Village Clerk's office at **305-871-6104**.

**6. Presentations**

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**7. Citizens Comments**

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**8. Announcement of Amendments/Corrections to the Agenda**

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## **9. Approval of Minutes**

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**(a) – Regular Council Meeting – October 20, 2022**

A motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of October 20, 2022 made by Council Member Taylor-Martinez was seconded by Council Member Block. The motion passed 5-0.

**(b) – Special Council Meeting – October 27, 2022**

A motion to approve the minutes of the Special Council Meeting of October 27, 2022 made by Council Member Taylor-Martinez was seconded by Council Member Block. The motion passed 5-0.

## **10. Mayor's Report**

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Council President Arce noted that Mayor Deno was absent for this meeting. Council President Arce informed the Council that the Village of Virginia Gardens will be presenting Chairman Jose "Pepe" Diaz for his farewell party.

## **11. Administrative Items**

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**(a) – Administration**

The Annual Santa Under the Stars will be held on Friday, December 16<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm.

**(b) – Beautification**

The meeting for the month of November was canceled.

**(c) – Planning & Zoning**

The meeting for the month of November 2022 was canceled.

**(d) – Public Safety**

The statistics for the month of October 2022 have been submitted.

**(e) – Public Works**

**(f) – Recreation**

**(g) – RESOLUTION – A RESOLUTION OF THE VILLAGE OF VIRGINIA GARDENS, FLORIDA, APPROVING THE AMENDED 2021/2022 BUDGET FOR THE GENERAL FUND AND CITT FUND BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2021 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2022; PROVIDING FOR EFFECTIVE DATE.**

A motion to approve Resolution 11(g) made by Council Member Fernandez was seconded by Council Member Taylor-Martinez. The motion passed 5-0.

## **12. Attorney's Report**

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Attorney Cuadra wanted to congratulate the Council and the Village of Virginia Gardens for their approval of the annexation application.

**13. Old Business**

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**14. New Business**

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**15. Good & Welfare**

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Council Member Taylor-Martinez asked for prayers for Melanie Martinez and her family. Council Member Taylor-Martinez also wanted to take a moment to thank all of blessing in their lives as the Thanksgiving holiday approaches.

**16. Adjournment**

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A motion to adjourn the meeting made by Council Member Fernandez was seconded by Council Member Taylor-Martinez. The motion passed 5-0. Council President Arce adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING: January 19, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.**